

FIVE NEW GENERA OF ANTHURID ISOPOD CRUSTACEANS

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*Abstract.*—Three new genera and species of anthurid isopods are described, viz. *Heptanthura* and *Rhiganthura* from off New Zealand, and *Venezanthura* from Venezuela. *Cyathura siamensis* Barnard is transferred to the new genus *Caenanthura*, *Anthelura abyssorum* Norman & Stebbing is transferred to the new genus *Valoranthura*, and *Anthelura* Norman & Stebbing is redefined.

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While preparing a generic revision of the isopod family Anthuridae, scattered samples from widely separate areas, often containing only 1 or 2 animals, were examined. The present paper provides descriptions of 5 new genera, prior to their inclusion in the aforementioned revision.

The specimen from Venezuela was collected by the Hancock Pacific Expedition of 1939. The 2 genera from off New Zealand were collected by the USRV *Eltanin* during the United States Antarctic Research Program, while the new genus from Thailand was collected by the Danish Theo Mortensen Expedition of 1900. The *Anthelura elongata* type material was collected by the British 'Porcupine' Expedition of 1870, while the type material of *Valoranthura* was collected by the British 'Valorous' Expedition of 1875.

Suborder ANTHURIDEA

Family Anthuridae

*Heptanthura*, new genus

*Diagnosis.*—Eyes present. Antennular flagellum of 2 articles, antennal flagellum of 6 articles. Mandibular palp 3-segmented; incisor, lacinia, and molar present. Maxilliped 7-segmented; endite lacking. Pereopod 1 subchelate, propodus expanded. Pereopods 2 and 3 smaller than 1, not subchelate. Pereopods 4-7, carpus triangular, underriding propodus. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform. Pleonites 1-5 fused, 6 free. Telson lacking statocysts.

*Type-species.*—*Heptanthura novaezealandiae*, new species.

*Gender.*—Feminine.

*Etymology.*—The prefix 'hept' in the generic name refers to the seven segments of the maxilliped.

*Remarks.*—*Neohyssura* Amar and *Ocsanthura* Kensley possess a 7-segmented maxilliped, but the latter genus has rectangular rather than tri-

angular carpi of the posterior three pairs of pereopods. *Neohyssura* possesses a well developed maxillipedal endite, which is lacking in *Heptanthura*, while the first pair of pleopods are not operculiform as in the New Zealand genus.

*Heptanthura novaezealandiae*, new species

Figs. 1, 2

*Description.*—Female: Integument not indurate. Body proportions:  $C < 1 = 2 = 3 = 4 < 5 > 6 > 7$ . Cephalon with rounded anterolateral lobes extending beyond small triangular rostrum. Eyes present. Pleonites 1–5 fused, with grooves over dorsum indicating individual segments; pleonite 5 with concave posterior margin; pleonite 6 with deep middorsal incision in posterior margin. Telson with hyaline border; wider distally than proximally, margin distally serrate, evenly convex in outline, with several simple setae. Statocysts not apparent.

Antennule with 4-segmented peduncle, basal segment broadest and longest, fourth segment short, oblique; flagellum of 2 articles. Antenna with 5-segmented peduncle; flagellum of 5 or 6 short articles. Mandibular palp 3-segmented, middle segment longest; incisor broad, almost no indication of cusps; lacinia serrate; molar short and blunt. Lower lip complex with 2 short processes at apex of each lobe. Maxilla with single strong terminal spine and 6 smaller spines. Maxilliped 7-segmented, lacking endite; terminal segment very short, with 4 setae; second segment longest; third segment very short. Pereopod 1 unguis one-third length of dactylus, with short supplementary spine; propodus proximally broad, palm straight, unarmed; carpus short, triangular. Pereopod 2 prododus less robust than 1, with strong bipartite sensory spine at ventrodiscal angle. Pereopods 4–7 carpus triangular, underriding propodus; latter and carpus each with strong bipartite sensory spine at ventrodiscal angle. Pleopod 1 exopod and endopod operculiform; endopod slightly longer but narrower than exopod; both rami with numerous distal plumose; basis with 3 retinaculae. Uropodal exopod distally emarginate, forming slender dorsal apically bidentate dorsal part, with dorsal margin bearing numerous plumose setae, and broader rounded ventral part; endopod shorter than basis, almost reaching telsonic apex, broadly rounded, distal margin dentate, bearing simple setae; outer margin of basis with row of plumose setae.

*Material.*—Holotype, USNM 171227, ♀ TL 3.5 mm. Paratype USNM 171228, ♀ TL 3.5 mm. *Eltanin* cruise 19, station 1498, 37°32'S, 178°42'W 101 m (off North Island, New Zealand).

*Etymology.*—The species was collected close to New Zealand, hence the name.

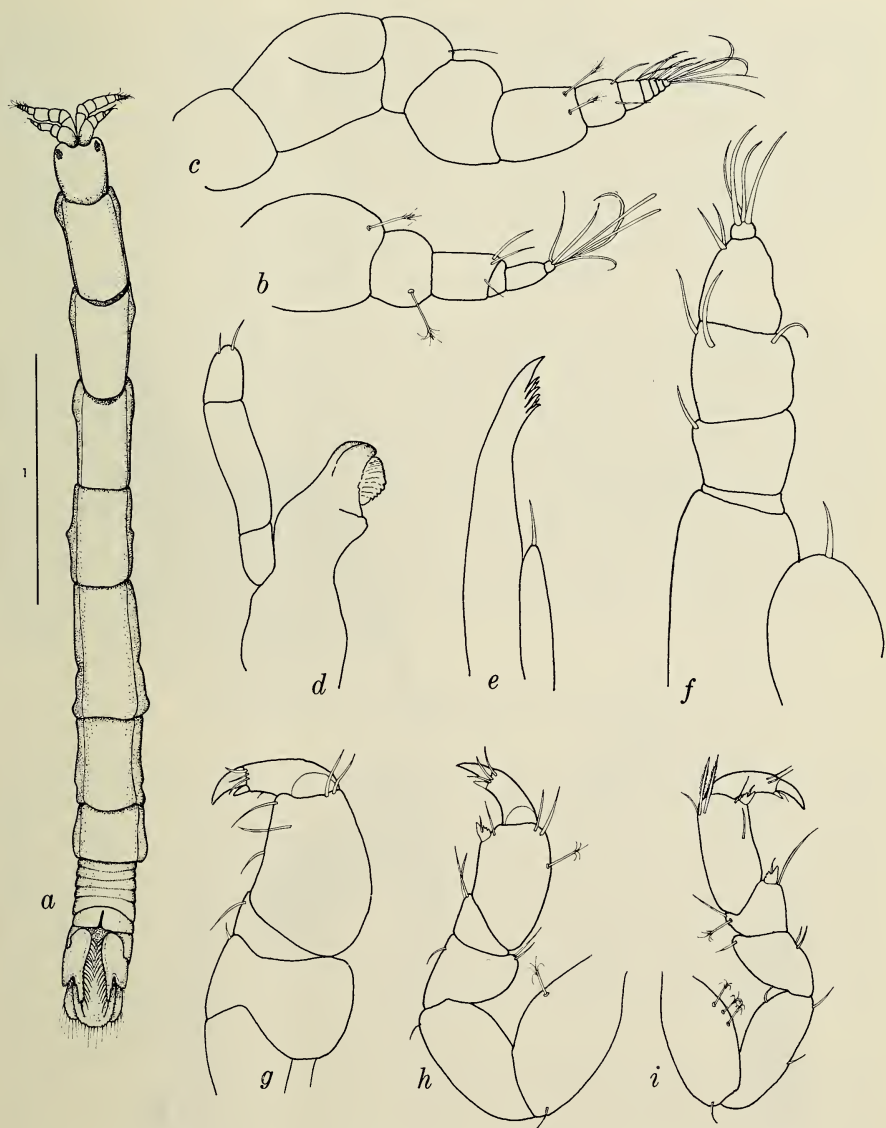


Fig. 1. *Heptanthura novaezealandiae*: a, Holotype in dorsal view; b, Antennule; c, Antenna; d, Mandible; e, Maxilla; f, Maxilliped; g, Pereopod 1; h, Pereopod 2; i, Pereopod 7.

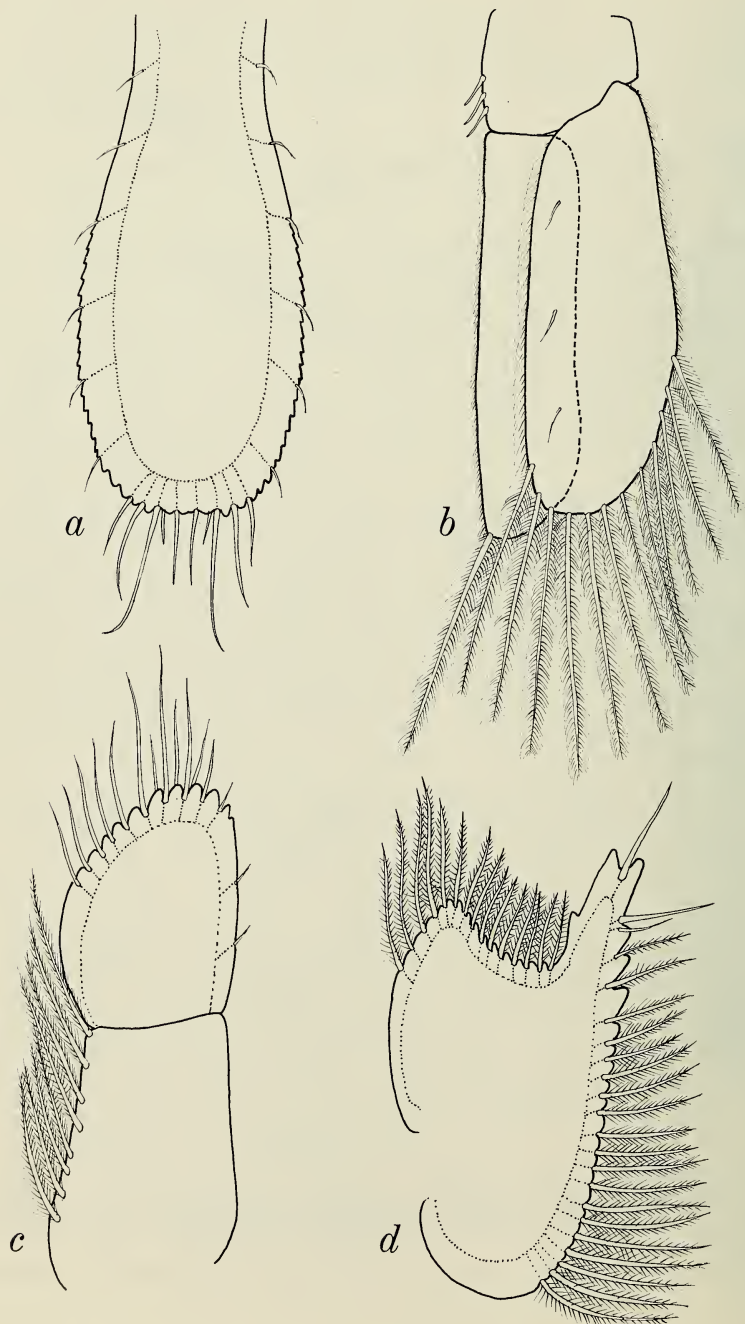


Fig. 2. *Heptanthura novaezealandiae*: a, Telson; b, Pleopod 1; c, Uropodial endopod and basis; d, Uropodial exopod.

*Rhiganthura*, new genus

*Diagnosis*.—Eyes present. Antennular flagellum of 4 articles. Antennal flagellum of 6 articles. Mandibular palp 2-segmented; incisor, molar, and lacinia present. Maxilliped 5-segmented, endite present. Pereopod 1 subchelate, propodus expanded. Pereopods 2 and 3 smaller than 1. Pereopods 4–7 with triangular carpus underriding propodus. Pleopod 1 endopod and exopod together forming operculum over branchial chamber. Pleonites 1–5 free, relatively short; pleonite 6 large, with deep middorsal excavation. Telson apparently lacking statocysts. Uropodal exopod bipartite.

*Type-species*.—*Rhiganthura spinosa*, new species.

*Gender*.—Feminine.

*Etymology*.—The generic name is derived from the Greek 'rhigos' meaning cold or frosty, alluding to the relatively cold water from which the specimens were taken, plus the commonly-used suffix 'anthura'—a flower.

*Remarks*.—The differences between *Rhiganthura* and *Venezanthura*, the only other anthurid with a 2-segmented mandibular palp, are discussed under the latter genus. A further distinguishing feature of *Rhiganthura* lies in the nature of the first pleopods, where both endopod and exopod together form the operculum over the remaining pleopods. This feature is seen to a limited degree in species of *Panathura* but is never as well developed as in the present material.

*Rhiganthura spinosa*, new species

Figs. 3, 4

*Description*.—Female: Integument, except for tail-fan, not indurate. Body proportions:  $C < 1 = 2 < 3 = 4 = 5 > 6 > 7$ . Cephalon with triangular rostrum extending well beyond rounded anterolateral corners; latter containing eyes. Pereonite 6 with 2 anterodorsal shallow pits. Pereonite 7 very short. Pleonites free, separate; pleonite 1 almost hidden by pereonite 7; pleonites 2–4 subequal, 5 slightly longer; 6 as long as 3 preceding segments, broader than rest of pleon, with deep middorsal excavation. Pleonites with dense ventrolateral plumose setae. Telson basally broad, tapering distally, margins spinose, moderately indurate.

Antennular peduncle 4-segmented, basal segment equal in length to 3 distal segments together; fourth segment very short; flagellum of 4 articles, basal article longest. Antennal peduncle 5-segmented, first and third segments short, subequal, segments 2, 4, and 5 somewhat longer; flagellum of 6 articles, basal article longest, entire flagellum equal in length to fifth peduncular segment. Mandibular palp of 2 subequal segments, distal segment with single fringed seta; incisor of 3 rounded cusps; lacinia with faint indications of few marginal serrations; molar bluntly triangular. Maxilla with strong distal spine and 5 or 6 smaller spines. Maxilliped 5-segmented, 3 distal segments subequal, distal segment rounded, with several simple

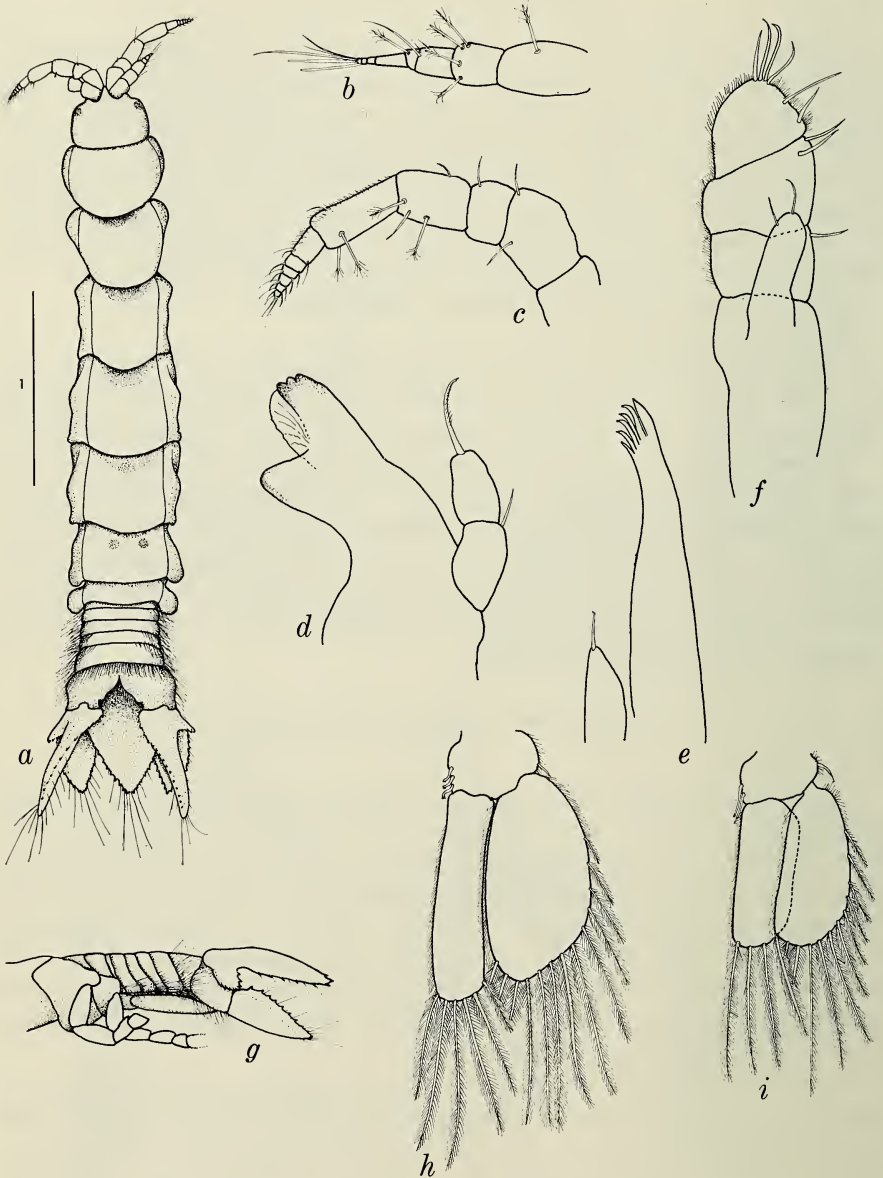


Fig. 3. *Rhiganthura spinosa*: a, Holotype in dorsal view; b, Antennule; c, Antenna; d, Mandible; e, Maxilla; f, Maxilliped; g, Pleon in lateral view; h, Pleopod I; i, Pleopod 2.

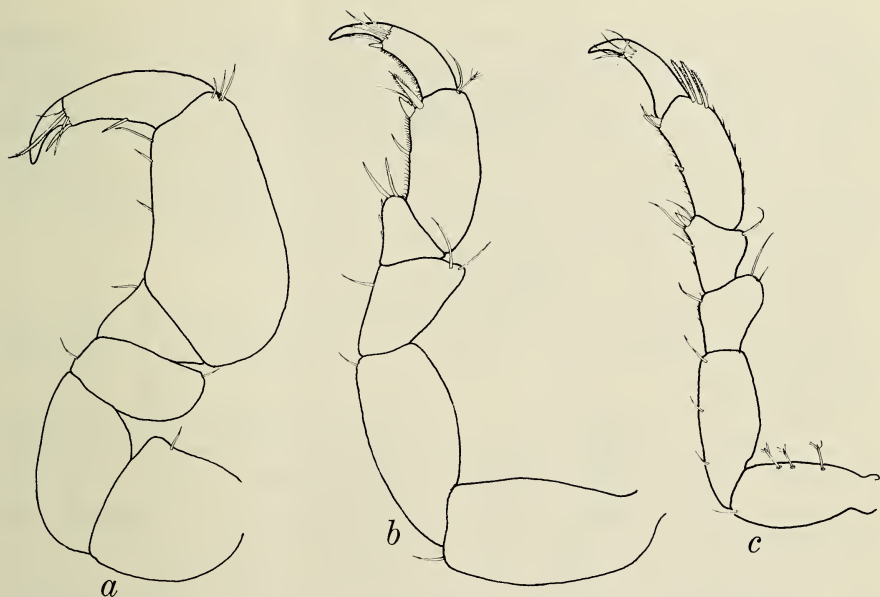


Fig. 4. *Rhiganthura spinosa*: a, Pereopod 1; b, Pereopod 2; c, Pereopod 7.

setae, second segment relatively elongate; delicate endite present, tipped with 2 setae. Pereopod 1 unguis one-third length of dactylus; propodus proximally broader than distally, palm almost straight, unarmed. Pereopod 2 unguis slightly more than half length of dactylus; propodus with 2 posterodistal spines; carpus triangular, with no free anterior margin. Pereopods 4-7 unguis half length of dactylus; propodus with 3 anterodistal fringed spines, single short ventrodistal spine; carpus triangular, with short anterior margin, short posterodistal spine. Pleopod 1 with exopod and endopod lying side by side, endopod slightly longer, together forming operculum; both rami with numerous elongate plumose setae; basis with 3 retinaculae. Pleopod 2 rami subequal. Uropod indurate, exopod dorsal, consisting of narrow dorsal section extending beyond telson, and short broad ventral part; both parts marginally spinose; endopod basally broad, tapering distally, margins spinose.

*Material*.—Holotype ♀ USNM 171229, TL 4.0 mm. Paratype ♀ USNM 171230, TL 3.7 mm; 2 juveniles, TL 1.8 mm. *Eltanin* cruise 19, station 1498, 37°32'S, 178°42'W, 101 m (off North Island, New Zealand).

*Etymology*.—The specific name refers to the spinose nature of the tail-fan.

*Venezanthura*, new genus

*Diagnosis*.—Eyes very small, weakly pigmented. Antennular and antennal flagella of one article. Basal antennular segment and second antennal segment interlocked. Mandibular palp 2-segmented. Maxilliped 3-segmented, with endite. Pereopod 1 subchelate, propodus expanded. Pereopods 2 and 3 smaller than 1, hardly subchelate. Pereopods 4–7 with short, roughly triangular carpus underriding propodus. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform. Pleonites 1–5 fused, 6 free. Telson with 2 basal statocysts.

*Type-species*.—*Venezanthura confixa*, new species.

*Gender*.—Feminine.

*Etymology*.—The generic name is derived from Venezuela, where the specimen was collected, and ‘anthura,’ the frequently-used Greek suffix meaning a flower.

*Remarks*.—The combination of a 3-segmented maxilliped, a triangular carpus underriding the propodus in the posterior pereopods, and pleonites 1–5 fused, places this specimen close to the genus *Pendantthura*. The maxilliped of *Pendantthura*, with its lobe-like endite, is very similar to that of *Venezanthura*. Comparison of mandibular palps, however, easily separates the genera, *Pendantthura* having the mandibular palp reduced to one or two setae. *Rhiganthura*, described elsewhere in this paper, is the only other known anthurid possessing a 2-segmented mandibular palp, but is easily separated from *Venezanthura* by its 5-segmented maxilliped and free pleonites.

*Venezanthura confixa*, new species

Figs. 5, 6

*Description*.—Male: Integument and appendages indurate, brittle. Body proportions:  $C < 1 > 2 > 3 = 4 = 5 < 6 > 7$ . Cephalon with marked lateral keel; low rostrum separating antennal bases; eyes small, very faintly pigmented. Pleonites 1–5 fused, barely indicated ventrolaterally; pleonite 6 free. Telson strongly indurate, proximal two-thirds parallel-sided, distal third tapering to evenly rounded apex; proximally thickened, with rounded ridge between uropodal exopod bases, becoming distally flattened and thinner, with 2 proximal statocysts.

Basal antennular segment and second antennal segment firmly interlocked and forming flattened dorsal surface. Antennule situated slightly ventral to antenna; peduncle 4-segmented, second and third segments each with group of 6 elongate ventral setae; fourth segment short; flagellum of 1 very short article set obliquely in fourth peduncle segment, directed ventrally, bearing cluster of terminal filiform aesthetascs. Antennal peduncle 5-segmented, second segment longest; flagellum a single very short article bearing cluster of short setae. Mandibular palp 2-segmented, distal seg-



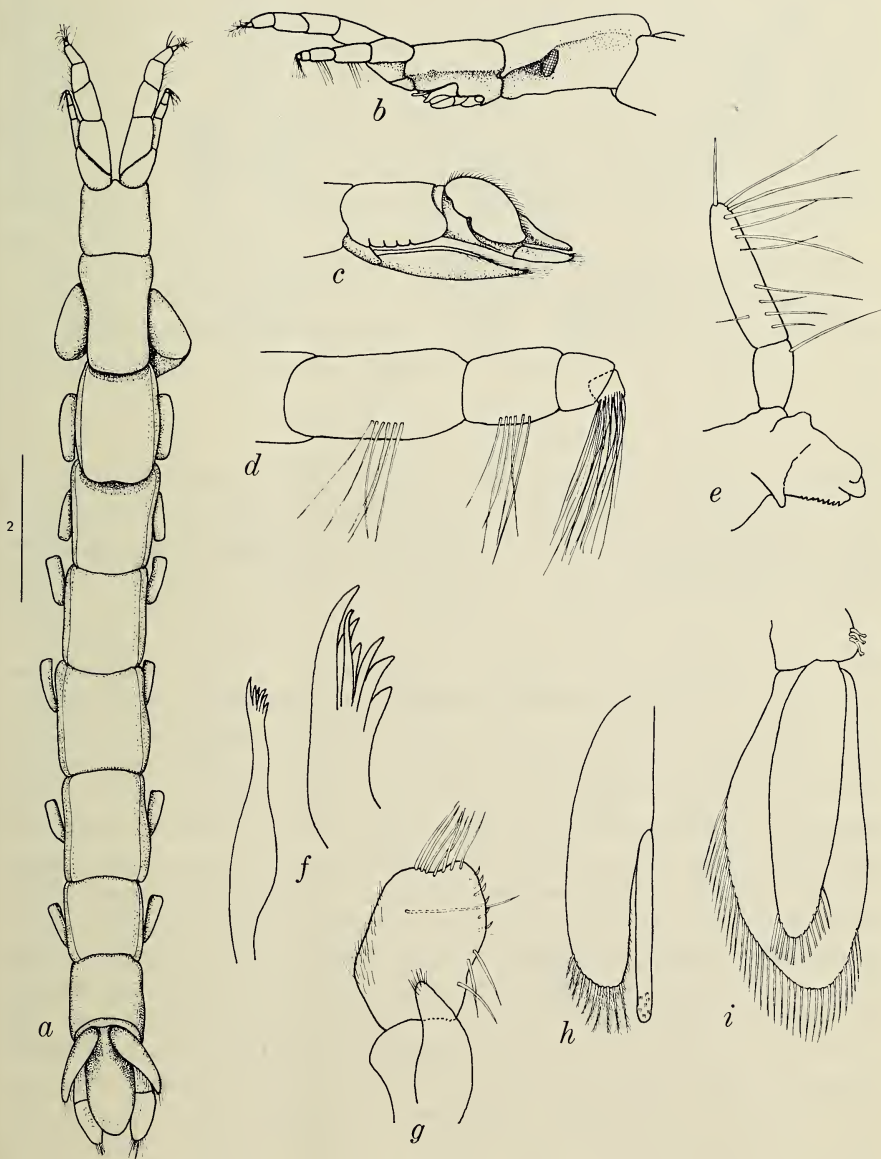


Fig. 5. *Venezanthura confixa*: a, Holotype in dorsal view; b, Cephalon in lateral view; c, Pleon in lateral view; d, Antennule; e, Mandible; f, Maxilla, with apex enlarged; g, Maxilliped; h, Pleopod 2 endopod; i, Pleopod 1.

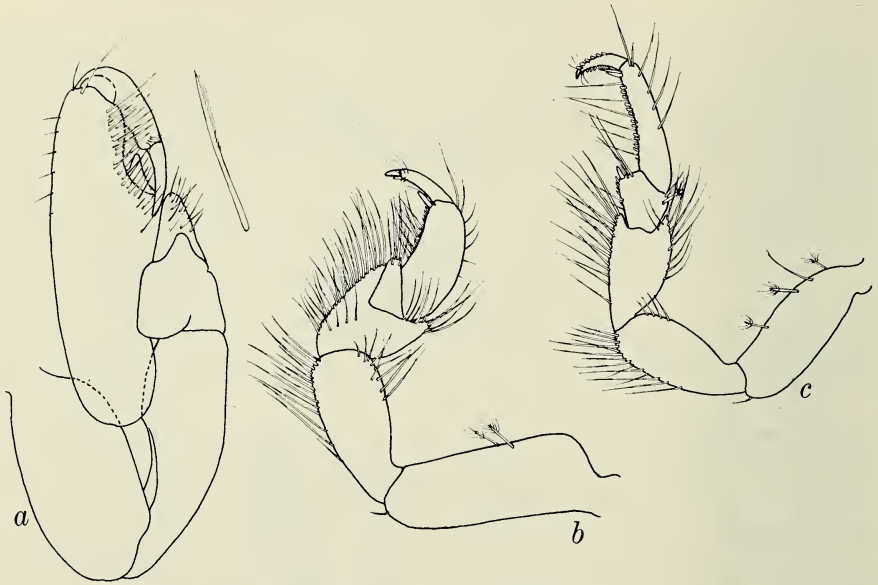


Fig. 6. *Venezanthura confixa*: a, Pereopod 1, with propodal spine enlarged; b, Pereopod 2; c, Pereopod 7.

ment twice length of first segment, bearing several elongate simple setae; molar process reduced to narrowly triangular process; lacinia of 8 or 9 serrations; incisor of 3 broadly rounded cusps. Maxilla slender, with 7 distal spines. Maxilliped 3-segmented, terminal segment broadest and longest, with 7 or 8 elongate distal setae and 6 short setae along median margin; thin-walled lobe-like endite present on inner surface, bearing a few fine distal setae. Pereopod 1 unguis almost half length of dactylus; propodus with pronounced posterior extension, palmar margin concave, armed with strong proximal digitiform tooth and numerous slender serrate spines; carpus short, triangular, bearing several simple setae. Pereopod 2 less robust than 1; unguis one-fifth length of dactylus with short spine; dactylus half length of propodus; latter curved, with strong posterodistal spine and several setae and very short spinules on posterior margin; carpus very short, triangular; carpus, merus, and ischium with numerous simple setae on posterior surfaces. Pereopods 5-7 with dactylus one-third length of propodus, unguis very short, anterior and posterior surfaces bearing short fringed scales; propodus with strong simple spine and fringed spine at posterodistal corner, posterior surface bearing 6 simple elongate setae and several short flattened fringed spines; carpus roughly pentagonal, anterior shorter than posterior margin, underriding propodus, with strong spine at posterodistal angle and few smaller spinules and several simple setae; merus and

ischum bearing numerous simple setae. Pleopod 1 exopod indurate, operculiform, with dense distal fringe of plumose setae; endopod half width of, and slightly shorter than exopod, with 12 distal setae; basis bearing 3 retinaculae. Pleopod 2 endopod with 10 plumose setae on distal margin, copulatory stylet on median margin articulating at midpoint of ramus, extending beyond ramus, simple rod-shaped, with groups of very fine setules distally, apically rounded. Uropodal exopod ovate, folding dorsally over telson, apically subacute, extending just beyond basis, margins bearing plumose setae; endopod distally rounded, bearing clump of setae, extending beyond telsonic apex.

*Material*.—Holotype ♂ USNM 171226, TL 13.4 mm. Cubagua Island, Venezuela; taken in 4–10 m from sand and algal bottom.

*Etymology*.—The specific name ‘confixa’ refers to the firmly interlocked first antennular and second antennal segments.

#### *Caenanthura*, new genus

*Diagnosis*.—Eyes absent. Antennular flagellum of 2 articles. Antennal flagellum of 1 article. Mandibular palp 1-segmented; incisor, lacinia, and molar present. Maxilliped 4-segmented, endite absent. Pereopod 1 subchelate, propodus expanded. Pereopods 2 and 3 smaller than 1, subchelate. Pereopods 4–7 carpi triangular, overriding propodi. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform. Pleonites 1–5 fused, 6 free. Telson with 2 basal statocysts.

*Type-species*.—*Caenanthura siamensis* (Barnard), 1925.

*Gender*.—Feminine.

*Etymology*.—The generic name is derived from the Greek ‘kainos’ meaning new, and ‘anthura’ the commonly-used suffix meaning a flower.

*Remarks*.—Barnard (1925) placed the present material in *Cyathura* mainly because of the 4-segmented maxilliped and the triangular carpus of the posterior pereopods. He did not examine the mandible and so missed the distinctive 1-segmented palp. Two genera possess a 1-segmented mandibular palp, viz. *Pendantura* and *Ptilanthura*, both of which, however, possess 3-segmented maxillipeds. Further differences include the presence of a maxillipedal endite in *Pendantura*, and rectangular carpi of the posterior 3 pairs of pereopods in *Ptilanthura*.

#### *Caenanthura siamensis* (Barnard)

Fig. 7

*Cyathura siamensis* Barnard, 1925:140, pl. 4, fig. 6.—Nierstrasz, 1941:6.—Miller & Burbanck, 1961:66.

*Description*.—Female: Integument not indurate. Body proportions: C < 1 < 2 < 3 < 4 > 5 > 6 > 7. Cephalon lacking eyes; with very low

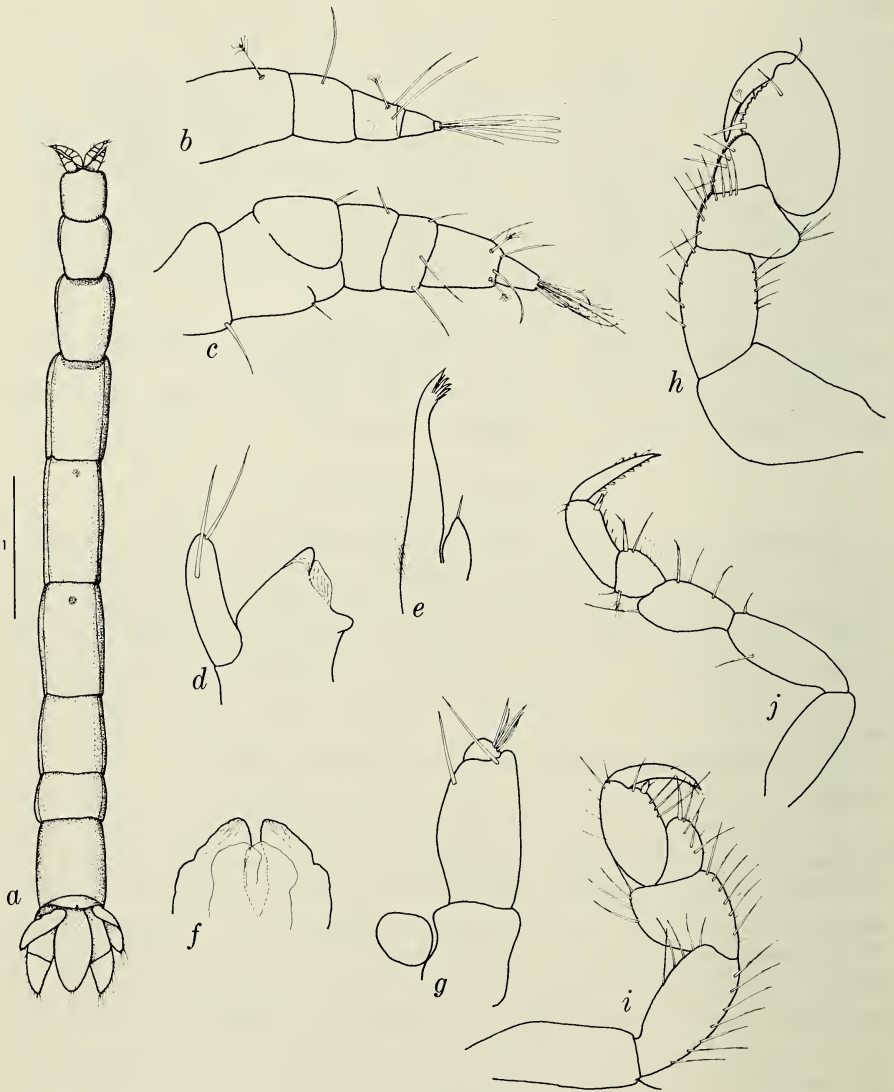


Fig. 7. *Caenanthura siamensis*: a, Lectotype in dorsal view; b, Antennule; c, Antenna; d, Mandible; e, Maxilla; f, Lower lip; g, Maxilliped; h, Pereopod 1; i, Pereopod 2; j, Pereopod 7.

rostrum. Pereonites 4 and 5 each with very shallow anterodorsal pit. Pleonites 1-5 fused, with no indication of segmentation dorsally, barely indicated ventrolaterally; pleonite 6 free, short, posterior margin with mediadorsal notch. Telson thin, dorsally flattened, lanceolate, apex nar-

rowly rounded, with 2 basal statocysts. Antennular peduncle 4-segmented, fourth segment very short, indistinct; flagellum of 2 articles, terminal article small, with 3 aesthetascs. Antennal peduncle 5-segmented, second segment longest, grooved to accommodate antennule; flagellum of single setose article. Mandibular palp of single segment, bearing 2 elongate simple setae; incisor of single rounded cusp; lacinia unserrated; molar small, bluntly rounded. Maxilla with 1 strong and 5 smaller apical spines. Maxilliped 4-segmented, terminal segment small, semicircular, with 4 or 5 simple setae; third segment basally slightly constricted. Pereopod 1 unguis about one-third length of dactylus; propodus basally broad, palm gently convex, faintly crenulated; carpus triangular, with 4 simple setae on posterior margin; merus with 7 or 8 simple setae on posterior margin. Pereopods 2 and 3 smaller but similar to 1; propodus with short posterodistal serrated sensory spine; posterior margin of carpus strongly convex; propodus, carpus, merus, ischium all with simple setae. Pereopods 4-7 unguis of dactylus very short; dactylus bearing fringed scales; propodus with posterodistal sensory spine; carpus roughly triangular, anterior margin shorter than posterior, slightly underriding propodus. Brood pouch formed by 3 pairs of oostegites on pereonites 3-5. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform; endopod slightly shorter and about one-third width of exopod. Uropodal exopod just reaching to endopodal base; outer margin gently sinuous; endopod triangular, outer margin convex, apex narrowly rounded.

*Material.*—The type-series consists of 8 syntypes from the Copenhagen museum. A lectotype has now been chosen for this species. Lectotype ovig. ♀ TL 5.8 mm. Paralectotypes 7 ♀♀ TL 3.9-6.4 mm; Theo Mortensen Expedition, 1900; Koh Chang, Thailand, 6-10 m.

### *Anthelura* Norman & Stebbing

*Diagnosis.*—Eyes absent. Antennular flagellum of 5-7 articles. Antennal flagellum of 11 articles. Mandibular palp 3-segmented; incisor, lacinia, and molar present. Maxilliped 5-segmented, endite present. Pereopods 1-3 subchelate, similar, pereopod 1 largest. Pereopods 4-7 carpi rectangular, not underriding propodi. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform. Pleonites 1-6 free. Telson with 2 basal statocysts.

*Type-species (by subsequent designation).*—*Anthelura elongata* Norman & Stebbing, 1886.

*Gender.*—Feminine.

*Material examined.*—Syntypes, B.M. 1903.5.20.41-44, ♂ TL 18.2 mm, juv. 8.7 mm; *Porcupine* Expedition, off Portugal, 1,500 m. Syntypes, B.M. 1911.11.8.7543-7544, ♀ TL 13.8 mm juv. 7.0 mm; *Porcupine* Expedition, off Portugal, 1,590 m.

*Remarks.*—Norman & Stebbing (1886) described the new genus *Anthelura*

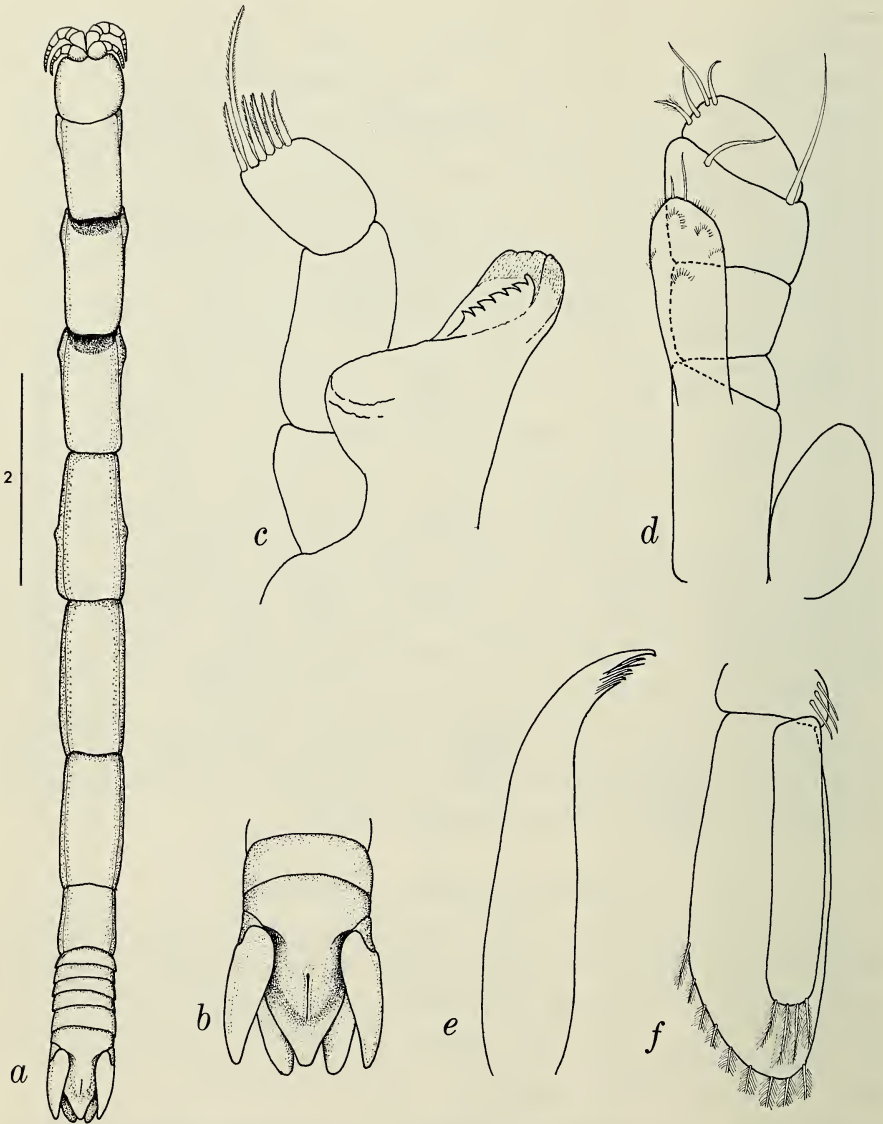


Fig. 8. *Valoranthura abyssorum*: a, Syntype ♀ in dorsal view; b, Telson further enlarged; c, Mandible; d, Maxilliped; e, Maxilla; f, Pleopod 1.

for 2 species, but designated neither as the type-species. Barnard (1925) described the new genus *Ananthura* for 2 new species, and transferred *Anthelura abyssorum* to *Ananthura*. Menzies (1962) designated *Anthelura elongata* as the type-species of the genus *Anthelura*, and *Ananthura sulcati-*

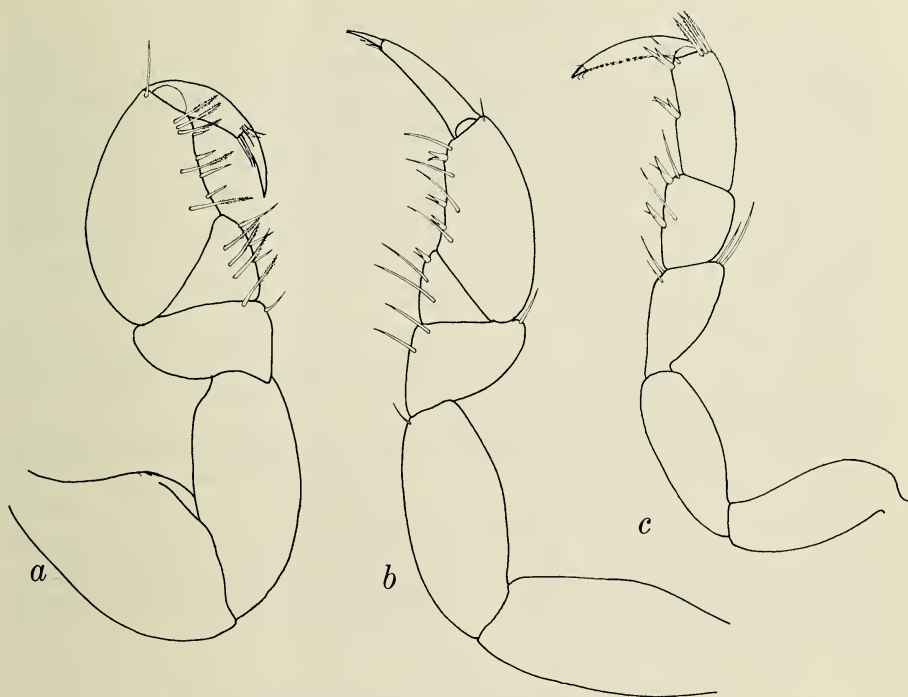


Fig. 9. *Valoranthura abyssorum*: a, Pereopod 1; b, Pereopod 2; c, Pereopod 7.

*cauda* as the type-species of the genus *Ananthura*. By the criteria used for generic separation in this work, and after examining both Norman & Stebbing's and Barnard's type material, no reason can be found to separate the 2 genera. As Norman and Stebbing's genus has priority, the genus *Ananthura* is suppressed, and *Anthelura elongata*, *Ananthura sulcatacauda*, and *Ananthura ovalis* are placed in *Anthelura*.

*Anthelura abyssorum*, because of the condition of the maxilliped and pleon, must be accommodated in a separate genus.

*Bathura* Schultz, 1966, agrees with all the criteria for *Anthelura* as re-defined above. Schultz remarked that this deep-water Californian genus was most like *Ananthura*, but differed in "general pattern of pereopodal hand with a tooth on palm, and characteristic pattern of setae on apex of telson and uropodal rami" (1966:12). However, when looking at the overall structure of all the pereopods, *B. luna* closely agrees with the species of *Anthelura*, while the telsonic and uropodal setal distribution is probably a specific feature. The telson of *B. luna* further possesses the proximal telsonic ridge seen in the species of *Anthelura*; thus *Bathura luna* is now regarded as a species of *Anthelura*.

*Valoranthura*, new genus

*Diagnosis.*—Eyes absent. Antennular flagellum of 6 articles. Antennal flagellum of 9 articles. Mandibular palp 3-segmented; molar, incisor, and lacinia present. Maxilliped 6-segmented; endite present. Pereopod 1 subchelate, propodus broadened proximally. Pereopods 2 and 3 subchelate, less robust than pereopod 1. Pereopods 4–7 carpi rectangular, not under-riding propodi. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform. Pleonites 1–5 free, pleonite 6 fused with telson.

*Type-species.*—*Valoranthura abyssorum* (Norman & Stebbing), 1886.

*Gender.*—Feminine.

*Etymology.*—The generic name is derived from H.M.S. *Valorous*, the ship used in the collection of the present material, plus ‘anthura’ the commonly-used suffix meaning a flower.

*Remarks.*—Amongst the anthurid genera, only *Quantanthura* Menzies & George possesses both a 6-segmented maxilliped and a rectangular carpus of the posterior 3 pairs of pereopods. *Quantanthura*, however, is characterized by having pleonites 1–5 fused, pleonite 6 free, and 2 basal telsonic statocysts, whereas *Valoranthura* has pleonites 1–5 free, and 6 indistinguishably fused with the telson, and lacks a pair of basal telsonic statocysts.

*Valoranthura abyssorum* (Norman & Stebbing)

Figs. 8, 9

*Anthelura abyssorum* Norman & Stebbing, 1886:127, pl. 27, fig. 2.—Hansen, 1887:181.—Richardson, 1900:215; 1901:508; 1905:69, fig. 54.

*Ananthura abyssorum*: Barnard, 1925:137.—Menzies, 1962:193, fig. 72B,C.—Schultz, 1969:101, fig. 138.

*Description.*—Female: Integument moderately indurate. Body proportions:  $C < 1 < 2 = 3 < 4 < 5 > 6 > 7$ . Cephalon lacking eyes; anterolateral corners rounded, not extending beyond low rostrum. Pereonites lacking middorsal pits. Pleonites 1–5 free, subequal; pleonite 6 fused with telson. Telson indurate, with strongly convex proximal area bearing fine middorsal longitudinal slit (possibly indicating the single opening of a statocyst), distolateral area flattened, apex rounded.

Antennular flagellum of 6 articles. Antennal flagellum of 9 articles. Mandible with 3-segmented palp, terminal segment broad, with 1 elongate and 5 short fringed spines; incisor broad, with faint indications of 4 cusps; lacinia with 7 serrations; molar broadly rounded. Maxilla with 1 strong and 6 smaller distal spines. Maxilliped 6-segmented, second segment longest, third segment wedge-shaped, terminal segment rounded, with 4 setae on mesial margin; endite well developed, broad, extending to penultimate



palpal segment. Pereopod 1 subchelate, unguis one-third length of dactylus; propodus proximally broad, palm gently concave, with few fringed and simple setae; carpus triangular, with few fringed setae on posterior margin. Pereopods 2 and 3 subchelate, unguis one-third length of dactylus; propodus with 3 short sensory spines on posterior margin; carpus triangular, with single short sensory spine. Pereopods 4-7, propodus with 2 strong bifid sensory spines on posterior margin, 3 fringed setae anterodistally; carpus roughly rectangular, with 2 posterior sensory spines, not overriding propodus. Pleopod 1 exopod operculiform; endopod shorter and narrower; basis with 3 retinaculae. Uropodal basis shorter than endopod, latter tapering to rounded apex; exopod triangular, basally broad, apically narrowly rounded.

*Material*.—Syntype, B.M. 1911.11.8.7545, ♀ TL 10.0 mm; Syntype B.M. 1903.5.20.40, ?♀ (cephalon & pleon missing); dredged by H.M.S. *Valorous*, entrance to Davis Straits, 59°10'N, 50°25'W, 3,500 m.

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